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1. TRYBUNA LUDU OF MARCH 4, 1977, CARRIES AN ARTICLE BY Z. LESNIKOWSKI, ENTITLED, "IN THE INTEREST OF MILITARY DETENTE." THE ARTICLE PROVIDES THE DETAILS OF SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO'S RECENT LETTER TO UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONCERNING THE UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT (SSOD).

CATION OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE."

2. LESNIKOWSKI WRITES THAT POLAND, THE USSR, AND THE OTHER COMMUNIST COUNTRIES SUPPORTED THE IDEA OF SSOD FROM THE OUTSET, "...SEEING IN IT AN IMPORTANT STEP ON THE ROAD TO THE CONVO-

3. THE ARTICLE OUTLINES THE THREE MAIN POSTULATES OF THE GROMYKO PROPOSAL:

A. THE SPECIAL SESSION MAY BECOME "...THE INTRODUCTORY PHASE TO A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE."
LESNIKOWSKI POINTS OUT THAT SUCH A CONFERENCE SHOULD NOT BE THOUGHT OF AS REPLACING EXISTING DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS, BUT ONLY AS "...MAKING DISCUSSION OF THIS DIFFICULT THEME EASIER."

B. THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT "...SEES THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ADOPTION AT THE SPECIAL SESSION OF A CONCRETE POLITICAL DECLARATION ENCOMPASSING THE COMMON APPROACH OF THE UN MEMBER STATES TO THE QUESTION OF DISARMAMENT."

C. THE SPECIAL SESSION MUST BE THE OBJECT OF CAREFUL PRE-PARATION FROM ALL SIDES. THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE MUST BE SO STRUCTURED AS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE "...SPECIFICITY OF DISAR-MAMENT MATTERS AND, AT THE SAME TIME, THE ACTUAL ROLE WHICH CERTAIN NATIONS PLAY IN THIS FIELD."

4. LESNIKOWSKI CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT GROMYKO'S LETTER "...IS NOT ONLY AN EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT FOR THE UN SPECIAL SESSION, IT ALSO CONTAINS CAREFULLY DEFINED, CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS DIRECTED AT THE MEANS BY WHICH THIS IDEA MAY BECOME A REALITY.

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